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Legal Notice
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Deschutes National Forest
Bend-Fort Rock
Ranger District
Notice of Opportunity to Object
Gas Station Quarry Expansion

This legal notice announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment and draft Decision Notice/FONSI for the Gas Station Quarry Expansion project and also provides information on how to object to the proposed decision. Gas Station Quarry is located northeast of the city of La Pine, Oregon off of Highway 97 on the Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District of the Deschutes National Forest.

Holly Jewkes, Deschutes National Forest Supervisor, has selected Alternative 2 as described in the EA and Decision Notice. This decision responds to the purpose and need to provide a long-term, strategically located, high quality aggregate sources to meet ODOT's current and future needs for road construction and maintenance. In order to meet the purpose and need the Eastside Screens Standard 6(d) Scenario A (2)(a) will be amended. A review of the provisions 36 CFR 219.8 through 219.11 is required for project level forest plan amendments. The provisions that directly apply to the proposed amendment are: 219.10(a)(2) and 219.11(c).

The project is now subject to the predecisional administrative review process pursuant to 36 CFR 218 part B (the objection process). A copy of the final EA and draft DN and FONSI are available by request by contacting Alicia Underhill by email at alicia.underhill@usda.gov or by phone at (541) 383- 4012. At this time, we strongly encourage you to access these documents electronically at the Deschutes National Forest website: https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57225.

Only individuals or organizations that submitted specific written comments (36 CFR 218.2) during a designated opportunity for public participation (scoping/30-day public comment period) may object (36 CFR 218.5). Notice of objection must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 218.2. Objections can be submitted in writing, either electronically or in hard copy but must be filed with the Reviewing Officer within 45 days following the publication date of this legal notice.

At this time, we strongly encourage you to submit objections electronically. Please submit to objections-pnw-regional-office@usda.gov. Please put OBJECTION and the

project name (Gas Station Quarry) in the subject line. Electronic objections must be submitted as part of an actual e-mail message, or as an attachment in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx), rich text format (.rtf), or portable document format (.pdf) only. For electronically mailed objections, the sender should receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive an automated acknowledgement of receipt of the objection, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means.

Objections can be mailed to the Reviewing Officer at the address below. Objections delivered by mail must be postmarked by the closing day of objection filing period and received before the close of the fifth business day following the end of the objection period. If you are using postal mail or carrier (UPS/FedEx), please notify Debbie Anderson (debbie.anderson2@usda.gov or 503-808-2286) so that we may ensure your objection has been received.

- Post-delivered to: Regional Forester (Reviewing Officer), Pacific Northwest Regional Office, Attn. 1570 Appeals and Objection, PO Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208-3623
  For FedEx or UPS deliveries, please send to: Regional Forester (Reviewing Officer), Pacific Northwest Regional Office, Attn: 1570 Objections, 1220 SW Third Avenue,
- Portland, OR 97204